

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 18, 2007

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007—08 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1698**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Eng**

February 23, 2007

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An act relating to truancy.

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AB 1698, as amended, Eng. Truancy: state mandate.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts whenever the Legislature or a state agency mandates a new program or higher level of service on the local agencies or school districts. Statutory provisions establish procedures for local agencies to file a test claim for reimbursement of these costs with the Commission on State Mandates. Existing law authorizes the commission to order a reconsideration of all or part of a test claim or incorrect reduction claim on petition of any party. This authority expires 30 days after the statement of decision is delivered or mailed to the claimant.

This bill would require the commission, by January 31, 2008, to amend the parameters and guidelines regarding the notification of truancy mandate program and definition of a truant and the elements included in the initial truancy notifications to conform to Chapter 1023 of the Statutes of 1994 and Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1995. Upon revision of the parameters and guidelines, the Controller would be required to revise the appropriate claiming instructions to be consistent with the revised parameters and guidelines. The bill would deem changes by the commission to the parameters and guidelines to be effective on July 1, 2006.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, by  
2 January 31, 2008, the Commission on State Mandates shall amend  
3 the parameters and guidelines regarding the notification of truancy,  
4 test claim number SB-90-4133, and modify the definition of a  
5 truant and the required elements to be included in the initial truancy  
6 notifications to conform reimbursable activities to Chapter 1023  
7 of the Statutes of 1994 and Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1995.  
8 *This act does not confer upon the commission the authority to*  
9 *amend the adopted uniform cost allowance.* Upon revision of the  
10 parameters and guidelines, the Controller shall revise the  
11 appropriate claiming instructions to be consistent with the revised  
12 parameters and guidelines. Changes made by the commission to  
13 the parameters and guidelines shall be deemed effective on July  
14 1, 2006.

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